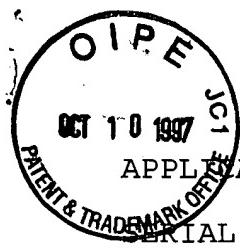


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RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 4, 1997. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by October 4, 1997.

Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group II, claims 15-21.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is hereby respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for any extension of time necessary to render this paper timely.

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